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SUBJECT: NEW AMBASSADOR TO U.S. COMMENTS ON HIS ROLE

1. AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE TO THE UNITED STATES, GABRIEL LEWIS, MADE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT AT HIS SWEARING-IN CEREMONY BEFORE PRES. LAKAS ON APRIL 26. HIS COMMENTS WERE CARRIED IN PANAMA PRESS THE NEXT DAY.

2. "I SHALL BE SPOKESMAN AND DEFENDER OF THE NATIONALIST MESSAGE WHICH GATHERS TOGETHER THE DEAREST ASPIRATIONS OF THE PANAMANIAN PEOPLE, AND WHICH HAS BEEN SO EMPHATICALLY EXPRESSED BY THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT AT THE NEGOTIATING TABLE, AS WELL AS BY GENERAL TORRIJOS AROUND THE GLOBE."

3. LEWIS CONTINUED BY SAYING HE HOPED TO FURTHER U.S. ACCEPTANCE OF PANAMA'S CANAL POSITIONS DURING HIS TENURE IN WASHINGTON INASMUCH AS THOSE POSITIONS ARE "REASONABLE, LEGITIMATE". HE HOPED THEY WOULD BE ACCEPTED "IN THE NAME OF JUSTICE WHICH BOTH THE UNITED STATES AND PANAMA PREACH WITH LAUDABLE DEVOTION".

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